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Scanner Screen Using

Computer Monitor as External

Light Source

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Dear Sir:

The Statement of Reasons for Allowance made the following statement regarding claim 2: "This limitation in combination with other limitations of claim 1 on which claim 2 depends is not" Also, the Statement of Reasons for Allowance stated that claim 8 recites the scanner "of claim 1 further comprising ... " It is respectfully submitted that the indication of claims 2 and 8 being dependent claims is in error. Each of claims 2 and 8 are independent claims.

Also, the Statement of Reasons for Allowance with respect to claim 8 characterized the electrical circuitry as being part of the scanner and the light source as being part of the display. Note that claim 8 does not have such limitations. Claim 8 should be construed according to the plain words of claim 8, and should not incorporate extraneous limitations mentioned in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

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Appln. Serial No. 09/741,504 Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

The Statement of Reasons for Allowance also used the word "after" when characterizing claim 25. Note that the term "after" is not expressly or implicitly part of claim 25. Claim 25 should be construed based on the plain words of the claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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